622 Chief received messengers sent from other tribes, arranged for allies in event of war, assembled war parties, selected captain to head such, "made the war dance (of incitement) at his place" (FP), represented his people at peace parleys with chiefs of other tribes. Chief himself did not go to war. It was chief's duty to admonish evil shamans when they were causing sickness and to order such killed if his admonitions went unheeded; this extended to malefactors within chief's immediate family; no collusion between chiefs and evil shamans, such as occurred among Western Mono and Yokuts (Gayton, 1930, 398) remembered by any of my informants.

622 Chief settled fights arising from jealousy over women, or over possession of game; he "would ask people why they fought and tell them not to do it any more. If 2 persons were always fighting, he would tell one to move out of the settlement" (FP).

622 A chief headed Tübatulabal when they joined the Yokuts for antelope drives, but chiefs did not direct people where or when to go for piñons, fish, acorns.

Chiefs attended burnings, dances; delivered orations at such; lectured youths, telling them not to fight and, later, not to drink too much whiskey; often upbraided stingy people for not bearing just share in expenses of fiestas.

622 Chief did not play hand game (SM); was likely to tell myths in wintertime, but this not his exclusive privilege. Chiefly etiquette did not permit chief to visit socially among his people; "he would send somebody over to a person's house if he wanted to see that person" (SM). One Tübatulabal chief sometimes visited "around Bishop (Owens Valley Paiute); this was all right because he had relations there" (SM). SM, Tübatulabal chief in 1932, visited sick to administer herb medicines; also visited Catholic priest and some of his relations and went on trading trip with his son, MM, to Northfork Mono in 1932, but never made social visits among his people, and those persons other than relatives who came to see him usually came on business.

622 Women chiefs as functioning officials, reported for Tübatulabal (Kroeber, Handbook, 608), denied by SM, PN; SM, 1931, said, "the wife of a deceased chief was called timiwal until she ate meat; then the new chief was chosen. A daughter might be named, but usually refused the office." In 1932 he denied latter part of his statement. FP said Mrs. Petra Miranda should have automatically become chief for Palagewan group after former chief, Mrs. Miranda's mother's brother, died, "only she has no people to be chief for now." SM denied this but said chieftaincy might have passed to deceased chief's sister's son; FM and PN, Mrs. Miranda's son and parallel cousin, respectively, said women never chiefs. Mythological records contain no occurrences of women functioning as chiefs.

622 If people dissatisfied with chief, clown instrumental in having new leader appointed (see below).